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"THIS SHOULD BE THE BEGINNING OF AN EXCITING MONTH!" - Tedd (KB8NW)

1S, SPRATLY. More details became available for the March 11-17 DXpedition to the Malaysian occupied territory of Pulau Layang-Layang Island. The Spratlies have been a highly contested area in which several countries lay claim (PR of China, Malaysia, Philippines, Taiwan, Vietnam). Under the protection of the Malaysian Royal Navy, the multi-national team of 9M22CS, 9M6TC, 9V1YW, AA6TT, AB6NJ, JA5DQH, N7NG, OH1NYP, OH2BH, OH2MAK and WA6AUE will activate 9M0S. The following frequencies will be used (WARC bands are pending permission from the Malaysian authorities.):

CW - 1827, 3502/3522, 7002/7022, 10102, 14023, 18073, 21023, 24892, 28023

SSB - 1827, 3972, 7065, 14190, 18103, 21290, 24932, 28490 kHz

QSLs via W4FRU, John Parrot, P.O. Box 5127, Suffolk, VA 23435.

ET, ETHIOPIA. It has been reported that Sid (G4CTQ), will be active as ET3SID beginning the first part of March. The only mode of activity reported was RTTY.

FK, NEW CALEDONIA. DJ5CQ and crew intend to activate Lifou Island in the Loyalty Island Group (IOTA OC-033) after their stay on Lord Howe Island (read VK9). More details will be published as soon as they become available.

F0, FRENCH POLYNESIA. Eddie (F040K) has been active almost everyday on 10 and 15 meters from Tahiti Island. Activity on 10 meters starts around 2100z and on 15 meters about 2200z. He has also been heard on 14175 kHz around 0915z.

JT, MONGOLIA. Naran, JT1BV, has been very active on the WARC bands. Look for him everyday on 10106 kHz at 1300z, 18145 kHz 0100z and 24940 kHz at 0000z. Naran stresses that when sending direct, send ONLY to Mongolia "via Japan". Normal mail goes through Russia and is not getting through to Mongolia by that route.

S0, WESTERN SAHARA. S0RASD will be active until March 6th. There has been no sign of S01A on the bands as of yet. S0RASD has been heard mostly on 14195 kHz, but has also been active on 7045, 18130, 21295, 24903, 24944, 28014 and 28497 kHz +/- various time throughout the day. QSL via EA2JG. According to the INDEXA Net, the address in the callbook is incorrect. The address should be Arseli Echeguren Bardeci, Las Vegas

81, 01479 Luyando, Alava, Spain.

S9, SAO TOME & PRINCIPE. There was a lot of activity this past week by Chas (S92SS) and Leslie (S92YL). Leslie usually can be found on the 14226 DX net starting around 2100z or on 15 SSB. Chas has been active on 10 meters SSB around 2100z and has also been heard on 18072 kHz around 2300z.

VK9, LORD HOWE ISLAND. Rudi, DJ5CQ/VK9LM, will be active again from March 6th to March 16. His crew will be DL3DXX, DL4LQM, DL8WXM and DL8WPX/YB6AVE. They will be active on all bands, mainly on CW, about 25 kHz up from the band edges. On SSB, look for them mainly on 14195 and 21295 kHz. They will also activate this island for the first time ever on OSCAR. QSLs go to DJ5CQ, Rudi Mueller, Alter Main 23, D-8601 Ebing, Germany. Remember also, JA2NQG will be active as VK9LH, March 10-15.

XY0RR CARDS. On February 9th, Romeo (3W3RR) and Ed (NT2X) delivered approximately 3000 XY0RR QSL cards to the ARRL. They were the remaining U.S. and Canadian cards with labels attached from the printout he had in his possession from last Dayton Hamvention. These cards were not claimed or if they were, Romeo never received incoming direct mail. The League kindly agreed to distribute the cards to the U.S. and the Canadian amateurs (ed. probably via the bureaus).

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLAND. By the time you read this ZL7AA should be active until March 8th. The list of operators are: ZL2AHC, ZL2AL, ZL2ARF, ZL2QM, ZL2CD, ZL2TT, ZL20Y, ZL2TXK AND ZL2TKS. Operation will be on CW/SSB 10 thru 160 meters, plus 2 and 6 meters. Look for them on the following frequencies: CW - 3505, 7005, 14025, 21025 and on SSB - 3795, 7085, 14195, 21195, 28495. They will be taking along with them 6 or 7 HF radios and 3 three element yagis. QSL via ZL2AL, P.O. Box 54, Hastings, New Zealand or via the bureau.

DXAC HAPPENINGS. Robert Beatty (W4VQ), DXAC Chairman, has scheduled a DXAC vote for the deletion of Czechoslovakia and the addition of the Czech Republic and the Slovak Republic for the week of 22 March 1993. Also, the DXAC Chairman has rescheduled the votes slated for the week of 8 March (on the distribution of a DXAC bulletin and the DXCC credits for station licensee) to the week of 22 March 1993.

NEW DXNL EDITOR. Number 832 will be Tom Milde's (DL1HBT), editor of the DARC DX News-Letter, last issue. Due to business reasons, Tom will stop editing the DXNL (English) and DXMB (German) bulletins. Tom made the DXNL one of the good reliable sources of DX information. He enjoyed collecting, distributing and sharing the DX information with other bulletin editors. OPDX would like to thank him personally. Rolf Thieme (DL7VEE, ex-Y23CO) will be taking his place as new editor. All information should be forwarded to: Rolf Thieme, Landsberger Allee 489, 0-1140 Berlin, Germany, Europe.

FAX YOUR DX INFORMATION NOW! This is just in the testing stage, but faxing will be available Monday/Wednesday/Friday from 0430 to 2030z only. The number is 216-237-2816 and operates only Class 2 Fax. Use only the dates and times specified because this is not a dedicated line.

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